FINAL MASS VOTER STUDY

Region:

(N=600)	n	%
Worcester / West	144	24.00
Northeastern	210	35.00
Suffolk	53	8.83
SE Mass / Cape	193	32.17

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Hello, my name is _____ and I am conducting a survey for Suffolk University and I would like to get your opinions on some issues of the day in Massachusetts. Would you be willing to spend seven minutes answering some questions so that we can include your opinions? {IF YES PROCEED; IF NO, UNDECIDED, GO TO CLOSE}

1. Are you a Massachusetts registered voter? {IF YES PROCEED; IF NO, UNDECIDED, GO TO CLOSE}

(N=600)	n	%
Yes	600	100.00

2. Gender.

(N=600)	n	%
Male	286	47.67
Female	314	52.33

3. What is your age category?

(N=600)	n	%
18-25 Years	44	7.33
26-35 Years	93	15.50
36-45 Years	108	18.00
46-55 Years	111	18.50
56-65 Years	108	18.00
66-75 Years	75	12.50
Over 75 Years	55	9.17
Refused	6	1.00

4. Earlier you said you were a registered voter in Massachusetts. Are you currently registered as a Democrat, Republican, or Unenrolled/Independent?

(N=600)	n	%
Democrat	207	34.50
Republican	67	11.17
Unenrolled / Independent	306	51.00
Other	11	1.83
Undecided / Refused	9	1.50

5.   For statistical purposes only, can you please tell me what your ethnic background / ancestry is?

	(N=600)	n	%
	White / Caucasian	464	77.33
	Black / African-American	44	7.33
	American Indian / Alaska Native	3	0.50
	Asian	24	4.00
	Native Hawaiian / Other Pacific Islander	5	0.83
	Hispanic/Latino	37	6.17
	Other	5	0.83
	Refused	18	3.00

6.   Would you say you live in an urban, suburban, or rural area?

	(N=600)	n	%
	Urban	145	24.17
	Suburban	378	63.00
	Rural	70	11.67
	Other	3	0.50
	Refused	4	0.67

I'm going to read you a list of individuals in state and national politics. For each, please tell me if your opinion of them is generally favorable or generally unfavorable. If you are undecided or if you have never heard of someone, just tell me that. First take Donald Trump. Would you say your opinion of Donald Trump is generally favorable or generally unfavorable? …{Next name, "How about.."etc} **{RANDOMIZE 8-12}**

(N=600)		**NEVER HEARD**	**FAVORABLE**	**UNFAVORABLE**	**HOF/UNDECIDED**
7.	Donald Trump	0	179	365	56
		0.00	29.83	60.83	9.33
8.	Elizabeth Warren	8	274	275	43
		1.33	45.67	45.83	7.17
9.	Charlie Baker	14	415	92	79
		2.33	69.17	15.33	13.17
10.	Ed Markey	83	233	151	133
		13.83	38.83	25.17	22.17
11.	Maura Healey	92	257	115	136
		15.33	42.83	19.17	22.67
12.	Marty Walsh	39	341	101	119
		6.50	56.83	16.83	19.83

13.   Do you think the House of Representatives should seriously consider impeaching
       President Trump – yes or no?

(N=600)	n	%
Yes	250	41.67
No	292	48.67
Undecided	55	9.17
Refused	3	0.50

14.   Do you think Charlie Baker should run for a third term for Governor - yes or no?

(N=600)	n	%
Yes	399	66.50
No	138	23.00
Undecided	62	10.33
Refused	1	0.17

{FOR 4.1 or 4.3}
15.   Earlier you said you were registered as a/an {INSERT}. How likely is it that you will
       vote in the Democratic Primary next year? Would you say very likely, somewhat likely,
       50-50, not very likely, or not at all likely?

(N=513)	n	%
Very Likely	314	61.21
Somewhat Likely	56	10.92
50-50	51	9.94
Not very Likely	32	6.24
Not at all likely	42	8.19
Undecided	15	2.92
Refused	3	0.58

{FOR 15.1 or 15.2}

16.   Massachusetts will hold its Democratic Presidential Primary in March. If the
        Democratic Primary for President were held today and the candidates were
        {ROTATE}, for whom would you vote or lean toward?

(N=370)	n	%
Michael Bennet	1	0.27
Joe Biden	80	21.62
Cory Booker	4	1.08
Steve Bullock	1	0.27
Pete Buttigieg	31	8.38
Julian Castro	0	0.00
Bill de Blasio	0	0.00
John Delaney	0	0.00
Tulsi Gabbard	4	1.08
Kirsten Gillibrand	0	0.00
Mike Gravel	0	0.00
Kamala Harris	17	4.59
John Hickenlooper	0	0.00
Jay Inslee	0	0.00
Amy Klobuchar	1	0.27
Wayne Messam	0	0.00
Seth Moulton	4	1.08
Beto O'Rourke	2	0.54
Tim Ryan	0	0.00
Bernie Sanders	23	6.22
Eric Swalwell	0	0.00
Elizabeth Warren	38	10.27
Marianne Williamson	0	0.00
Andrew Yang	3	0.81
Other	4	1.08
Undecided	154	41.62
Refused	3	0.81

{FOR 15.1 or 15.2}

17.   If the Democratic Primary for U.S. Senate were held today and the candidates were
        Ed Markey, Shannon Liss-Riordan, or Steve Pemberton, who would you vote or lean
        toward at this time?

(N=370)	n	%
Ed Markey	162	43.78
Shannon Liss-Riordan	20	5.41
Steve Pemberton	18	4.86
Undecided	165	44.59
Refused	5	1.35

{FOR 15.1 or 15.2}
18.   If the Democratic Primary for Governor in 2022 were held today and the candidates
        were Maura Healey or Marty Walsh, who would you vote or lean toward at this time -
        Healey or Walsh?

        (N=370)   n   %
        Maura Healey--127   34.32
        Marty Walsh---133   35.95
        Undecided---104   28.11
        Refused---6   1.62

19.   On the issue of abortion, the Massachusetts Legislature is considering a bill that
        would allow women to obtain an abortion after 24 weeks of pregnancy in cases of fatal
        fetal anomalies. Do you support or oppose this part of the bill?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Support---385   64.17
        Oppose--140   23.33
        Undecided---70   11.67
        Refused---5   0.83

20.   The second part of the bill would eliminate the requirement that minors obtain
        permission from a parent or judge before getting an abortion. At this point, do you
        support or oppose this part of the bill?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Support---276   46.00
        Oppose--248   41.33
        Undecided---69   11.50
        Refused---7   1.17

The next questions are about education in Massachusetts.

21.   Overall, do you believe public K through 12 schools are adequately funded in
        Massachusetts – yes or no?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Yes---171   28.50
        No--360   60.00
        Undecided---67   11.17
        Refused---2   0.33

22.   Thinking about your school district, do you believe public K through 12 schools in your
        school district are adequately funded – yes or no?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Yes---262   43.67
        No--275   45.83
        Undecided---61   10.17

Refused--2   0.33

23.   How would you grade how well the high schools in your district prepare students for
        college – excellent, good, fair, or poor?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Excellent--129   21.50
        Good---242   40.33
        Fair---108   18.00
        Poor---54   9.00
        Undecided--64   10.67
        Refused---3   0.50

24.   Some people say there is a great amount of inequality in Massachusetts public
        schools. Others say there is no problem. How serious a problem do you consider the
        inequality of public schools on a scale of 1-10 where 10 is the most critical problem
        we face and 1 is no problem at all?

        (N=600)   n   %
        10 – Most critical problems------------------------------61   10.17
        9--25   4.17
        8--69   11.50
        7--80   13.33
        6--64   10.67
        5---117   19.50
        4--30   5.00
        3--23   3.83
        2--16   2.67
        1 – No problem at all--------------------------------------56   9.33
        Undecided--53   8.83
        Refused---6   1.00

25.   Would you be willing to accept less state education funding for your school district if it
        meant that low-income districts would receive more funding – yes or no?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Yes---309   51.50
        No--222   37.00
        Undecided--63   10.50
        Refused---6   1.00

26.   Would you be willing to pay more in state taxes to alleviate disparities in public K
        through 12 education in MA – yes or no?

        (N=600)   n   %
        Yes---349   58.17
        No--209   34.83
        Undecided--39   6.50

Refused---3   0.50

27.   Some schools are doing well and some schools are failing. In your opinion, who is
       most responsible for failing schools {RANDOMIZE 28.1 – 28.5}

	(N=600)	n	%
Teachers		35	5.83
Students		16	2.67
Administrators		120	20.00
Politicians		184	30.67
Parents		87	14.50
"All of the above"		47	7.83
Other		53	8.84
Undecided		55	9.17
Refused		3	0.50

28.   How optimistic are you that state leaders can fix education inequality in
       Massachusetts – very optimistic, somewhat optimistic, not very optimistic, not at all
       optimistic?

	(N=600)	n	%
Very optimistic		61	10.17
Somewhat optimistic		255	42.50
Not very optimistic		166	27.67
Not at all optimistic		88	14.67
Undecided		27	4.50
Refused		3	0.50

The next questions are about transportation and traffic in Massachusetts.

29.   Has your commute to work, school, or general travel improved or gotten worse over
       the last five years?

	(N=600)	n	%
Improved		64	10.67
Worse		364	60.67
Same		132	22.00
Undecided		36	6.00
Refused		4	0.67

30.   Would you favor giving up lanes on highways and local roads for bus-only lanes to
       help move people faster – yes or no?

	(N=600)	n	%
Yes		299	49.83
No		244	40.67
Undecided		54	9.00
Refused		3	0.50

31.   Do you commute to work or school - yes or no?

	(N=600)	n	%
Yes		397	66.17
No		198	33.00
Undecided		4	0.67

Refused--1   0.17

{FOR 31.1}
32.   How do you get to work or school most often:

(N=397)	n	%
Bus	11	2.77
Subway	16	4.03
Commuter Rail	17	4.28
Walk	8	2.02
Drive Alone	301	75.82
Carpool	18	4.53
Bike	5	1.26
Ferry	1	0.25
Combination of public transit	13	3.27
Taxi, Uber, Lyft	3	0.76
Don't commute outside of home regularly	3	0.76
Undecided	0	0.00
Refused	1	0.25

THE FINAL THREE QUESTIONS WILL HELP US CLASSIFY YOUR ANSWERS WITH OTHERS TAKING THE SURVEY

33.   Do you currently have school-aged children?

(N=600)	n	%
Yes	162	27.00
No	431	71.83
Undecided	7	1.17

34.   What is your annual household income?

(N=600)	n	%
Under $20,000 per year	26	4.33
Under $50,000 per year	72	12.00
Under $75,000 per year	82	13.67
Under $100,000 per year	77	12.83
Under $140,000 per year	84	14.00
$140,000 per year or more	131	21.83
Undecided	33	5.50
Refused	95	15.83

35.   What's the highest level of education you have completed?

(N=600)	n	%
Some high school	13	2.17
High school graduate	86	14.33
Some college	103	17.17
Trade/technical/vocational training	19	3.17
College graduate	204	34.00
Masters or PhD	164	27.33
Undecided	6	1.00
Refused	5	0.83

[THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. HAVE A NICE DAY/EVENING.]